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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk and Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
P.O. Drawer 11649  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Docket No: 2005-354-A, Revisions to **Article 8** of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission's) Regulations.

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Verizon South Inc. ("Verizon") hereby submits these comments with respect to the proposed revisions to Article 8, Rule 103-833. Proposed Rule 103-833 lengthens the time for responses to interrogatories to "not less than 20 days" and likewise provides for a 20 day response time for requests for production of documents and things. Specifically, subsections (B) and (C) state that "[a] person upon whom the interrogatories [requests for production of documents and things] have been served shall serve a copy of the answers and objections within the time period designated by the party of record submitting the interrogatories, but not less than 20 days after the service thereof, unless the time is extended by the Commission for good cause shown."

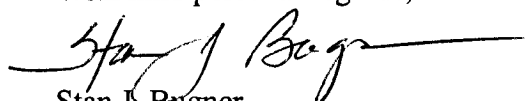
Verizon suggests the following minor clarification to both subsections (B) and (C):

"A person upon whom the interrogatories [requests for production of documents and things] have been served shall serve a copy of the answers and objections within the time period designated by the party of record submitting the interrogatories, **but not which time period shall not be** less than 20 days after the service thereof, unless the time is extended by the Commission for good cause shown."

Verizon appreciates the opportunity to submit these suggestions, and we look forward to discussing them during the hearing of February 2, 2006. Given that I am unaware of any formal interventions in this docket, I would appreciate your posting these comments on the Commission's website.

If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 803-254-5736.

With kind personal regards, I am

  
Stan J. Bugner

Enclosure

cc: Florence Belser, Esquire

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